

NO CRUISE IN TIME OF WAR

IMPOSSIBLE WITHOUT MORE
MERCHANT SHIPS.A Strong Argument for Merchant Marine
at Dinner of Naval Architects and Marine
Engineers at Belmont's last night, and it
was decided that on account of a cruise
such as that of the battleship fleet would
be impossible in time of war. Between
three and four hundred members of the
society, among them many men who have
had a hand in building up our navy and
in achieving success in the yachting and
motor boat world, concurred in these senti-
ments and ideas.Some of those at the tables were William
C. Church of the Army and Navy Building,
R. A. Sperry, W. J. Babcock, R. F. Bal-
win, J. M. Blankinship, W. D. Deley,
W. D. Forbes, J. B. Gardner, Congressman
A. H. Weeks of Massachusetts, and those
who during the two days session of the
society had read papers.J. G. Butler, Jr., president of the Mer-
chant Marine League of the United States,
spoke at length of the disadvantages of a
paucity of merchant ships. He was fre-
quently interrupted by applause, although
an one guest put it, "It makes one shiver
to hear the bottom knocked out of our
pride, the battleship cruise."After discussing the advantages of the
inland farmers and manufacturers of a
merchant marine Mr. Butler said he had
written President-elect Taft on the sub-
ject and had received a reply that Mr.
Taft was heartily in favor of legislation
in aid of the merchant marine."To my mind," he added, "it is a dis-
grace to all of us, to us Americans of the
inland States quite as much as to the
Americans of the Atlantic and Pacific
seaboards, that our huge battleship fleet,
the pride of the Nation, is being con-
veyed and nursed around the world by a
crowd of slow and shabby commercial
hoboes, well named 'tramps,' foreign
colliers flying half a dozen foreign flags,
cheaply built and with crazy hulls and
rotting machinery. It is no wonder
that these 'tramps' have failed again and
again to arrive on time at their destina-
tions and to deliver their coal where it
was expected and where it was required.
The only strange thing about it is that
these 'tramps' turned up anywhere at all.""Yet I am not condemning the United
States Government for employing them.
It had to do this, or our battleship fleet
could not have started from Hampton
Roads, for such is now the skeleton of
our merchant marine that it is practically
no longer a voyage American cargo
steamships are available.Splendidly managed as the cruise has
been, strong and formidable as is the
fleet, and brave and efficient as are the
13,000 officers and men who man it, this
cruise, because of absolute dependence
upon foreign colliers, has simply
advertised our maritime weakness to the
world. We have been able to send these
ships abroad in time of peace, but to the
shame of our people and to the reproach
of our Government the fact stands out
that we could not have done this at all
in time of war, when international law
would forbid the use of foreign craft as
colliers and as supply ships and without
coal these huge battleships of ours could
neither move nor fire a gun. If war had
come or does come now before our
battleship line returned from Hampton
Roads, this magnificent armada, which has
cost more than \$100,000,000 of American
money, as has well been said, "as idle
as a painted ship upon a painted ocean."Time and time again the President
and the Navy Department have urged
and implored Congress to take some
vigorous steps to remedy this desperate
situation. But the national lawmakers
though eager and willing to pour \$80,-
000,000 a year into deepening our water-
ways, chiefly for the use of foreign ships,
have refused to give a single dollar for
the encouragement of our own
merchant shipper, so that we might have
colliers and supply craft of our own
and secure our own independence of
the very best welcome that Congress can
give to the battleship fleet on its home
coming next February is the enactment
of the legislation now pending to create
swift and regular lines of American steam-
ships to South America and across the
Pacific Ocean and to give American ships
the preference in the carrying of supplies
and materials to Panama."An American merchant marine, strong,
prosperous, aggressive, means much to
the ocean States where the ships are built
and launched and crewed. But it means
still more to the people of the States who
must produce the cargoes. A ship is
built in the shipyard, she is launched and
when she sails she carries the goods of the
State. But the use of that ship in the
carrying of commerce goes on year after
year. She must have a freight for every
voyage and transport. As the freight
as I have said, must come from the great
industrial States between the Alleghenies
on the one hand and the Rocky Mountains
on the other."The factories and farms of these inland
States are producing the goods. The
coast States with reasonable national aid
can create the delivery service. That
delivery service will return profit to the
shipbuilders and their workmen, to the
owners and their seamen of the coast.
But after all the great returns will come
not so much to those who deliver as to
those who purchase and sell the mer-
chandise. A Representative in Congress
from Ohio or Illinois or Iowa or Nebraska
who votes against the navy and in favor
of the American coast, mail lines to South
America and across the Pacific Ocean is
hurting New England by that vote and
New York, Pennsylvania and the Pacific
coast, but he is hurting his own people
more."Other speakers were W. J. Baxter,
builder of the battleship "Connetquot";
Lewis Nixon, Co. I, 1st Connecticut
Lieutenant-Commander Chandler, flag
secretary to Admiral Evans when he was
in command of the fleet.SMITH SETTLES OLD CHARGES.
Jersey City Politician Goes Back to York,
Pa., and Flies Things Up.YORK, Pa., Nov. 20.—W. E. Smith, the
Jersey City politician, after adjusting
several claims against him and giving a
dinner to his friends, left for his home
late to-night.
Smith, for whose return here requisi-
tion was issued by Gov. Stuart upon war-
rants charging forgery amounting to
\$3,000, came to York last night with
Detective Oscar Smith, who accepted
service of the warrants without resort to
the requisition, and this afternoon the
matter was reported to have been settled.
The forgeries were alleged to have been
committed in York about twelve years
ago.Many of Smith's old friends here were
surprised when they learned of his pros-
perous condition. He toured around town
in an automobile and invited a score of
acquaintances to dine with him.Public Utilities Board for Connecticut
is Recommended.NEW HAVEN, Nov. 20.—A public utilities
commission for Connecticut is recom-
mended by the special commission ap-
pointed by the last Legislature to take
up the subject.In a report of 30,000 words the com-
mission consists of three members, to be
chosen by the Governor and confirmed by
concurrent action by both branches of the
General Assembly and to receive a salary
of \$2,500.

IMPORTS OF CHAMPAGNE

INTO THE UNITED STATES

From Jan. 1 to Nov. 1, 1908

Compiled from Custom House Records by
S. Y. Allaire.

CASES CASES

1907 1908

Grand total 302,578 212,032

Notwithstanding the general falling off
in importations there has been a sub-
stantial increase in the importations of

KRUG & CO.

PRIVE CUVÉE

which speaks volumes for the quality of
this champagne.

O. S. NICHOLAS & CO., Sole Agents

OFFER AID TO TOM JOHNSON.

Friends of Cleveland's Mayor Say He
Isn't So Bad Off as Indicated.CLEVELAND, Ohio, Nov. 20.—With par-
tial assurance to-day that those to
whom he was indebted would not press
their claims, the situation of Mayor John-
son, in his own words, "looks better."Those closest to him say that his affairs
are not in such bad shape as his interview
of Thursday would indicate.
The Mayor himself would talk to no
one but his closest friends. During the
day a dozen called at his office and pro-
ffered financial or any other kind of assist-
ance. One had an automobile which he
said he would willingly give to the Mayor.A great deal of Mr. Johnson's difficulty
hinges upon the outcome of the affairs of
the Depositors Savings and Trust Com-
pany. His chief liabilities are in the form
of endorsements on other people's paper.
He may not be called upon for some time
to pay such obligations as are not met
by the principals.Mayor Johnson's principal personal
liability that bankers know about is his
note for \$27,000 given to Eastern Bank
trustees at the time the Depositors Bank
was organized.He wanted to pay for his 400 shares of
stock which cost him \$50,000. John P.
Kraus, treasurer, and E. D. Doty, secre-
tary, of the Depositors, signed the note
which Mayor Johnson gave and later
indorsed it. The loan was secured by
\$40,000 of Mayor Johnson's bank stock.Should an effort be made to collect the
\$27,000 from Mayor Johnson he could not
pay it without help from friends.
No attorneys in Cleveland will say that
they have been asked to collect the ac-
count.It was reported on Thursday that action
would be begun against the Mayor on a
note for \$10,000, given by the Central
Coal and Iron Company of Central City,
Ky., and indorsed by Mayor Johnson.
This note was found among the assets
of the Commercial Savings and Trust
Company when it was taken over.

RAID ON THE GOPHER GANG.

Detectives Arrest Nine in Hell's Kitchen
for a Dance Hall Killing.Three detectives from Headquarters
made a roundup of nine of the "gopher
gang," an organization of tough young
men, over in the Hell's Kitchen district
last night on suspicion that one or more
of them had to do with the killing of a man
in Baker's dance hall, at Twenty-ninth
street and Seventh avenue, on the night
of November 5. The men were taken to
Headquarters after a short stay in the
West Forty-seventh street station house.
James Blake of 500 West Forty-sixth
street and James Murray of 791 Eleventh
street were the first two that the detec-
tives brought to the station house. Both
of these were locked up as suspicious
persons. Then the detectives went down to
the corner of Forty-fifth street and
Tenth avenue and brought in six more.
They went out again and got another.The "gopher gang," against which the
Headquarters energy was directed last
night, was a bad name in the trou-
blesome district south of Fifth street and
west from Seventh avenue to the river. The
police have been waiting for a long time
for a good handle to use in quelling
some of the lawbreakers.Barge Canal Contractor Gets an Award
of \$97,582 for Breach of Contract.ALBANY, Nov. 20.—A big damage award
for breach of a barge canal contract was
given the Empire Engineering Corporation
of New York city to-day by the State
Court of Claims. It was for \$97,582
on its claim for \$157,582. Excavation and
construction from Mosquito Point bridge
over the Seneca River to west of the vil-
lage of Savannah, over five and a half
miles, was begun in 1905 and in October,
1907, the work was ordered suspended
because a relocation of the route over
part of the contract was decided upon.

OBITUARY.

Pay Inspector Harry R. Sullivan, F. S.
N. Y., retired, died at the George Washington
Hospital in Washington yesterday. He
was born in Sydney, Ohio, on May 25, 1852.
He entered the navy as Assistant Pay-
master on June 10, 1880, was promoted to
Assistant Paymaster on June 10, 1891, and
to Paymaster on November 1, 1897.
He served on board the United States
ship Puritan during the Spanish-American
War from June 2, 1898 to October 20, 1898,
and since then on the United States ship
New Orleans during the Philippine insurrec-
tion from June 1, 1900 to June 1, 1901,
and to Paymaster on November 1, 1907.
He served on board the United States
ship Puritan during the Spanish-American
War from June 2, 1898 to October 20, 1898,
and since then on the United States ship
New Orleans during the Philippine insurrec-
tion from June 1, 1900 to June 1, 1901,
and to Paymaster on November 1, 1907.Confederate veteran,
proprietor of the Richmond Times-Dispatch,
a director in the Southern Railway, Amer-
ican Locomotive Company and a host of
other industries and a former director in
the Equitable Life Assurance Society, and
one of the wealthiest men in Virginia,
P. L. and the navy yard at Boston. He
attained the rank of Pay Inspector on March
5, 1903, served on the United States ship
Texas from July 1, 1903 to September 1,
1905, and was transferred to the retired list
on February 9, 1906.John P. Ebert, who was one of the
pioneer cigar box manufacturers in the
country, died at his home in Mount
Vernon, aged 72. He first discovered and
gave warning of Lee's advance north at
the opening of the Gettysburg campaign.
Col. Babcock enlisted at the outbreak of the
war in the 11th Maine, which was formed
at Chicago to act as bodyguard to Gen.
McClellan. He had charge of the prisoners
at the headquarters of the Army of the
Potomac.Mrs. Lucia Pratt Ames, wife of the late
James H. Ames, died at her home yes-
terday. She was 82 years of age. Her
husband was among the first New York
families to locate in the town. She is sur-
vived by two sons, James and Alfred H.
Ames, and three daughters, one of whom
is Mrs. John G. MacVicar, wife of the head
master of Montclair Academy.George Lister, proprietor of the millinery
house at 21 Lispenard street, New York
city, died on Thursday at his home, 97 8th
avenue, Jersey City, after an illness of
three weeks. He was born in Leeds, Eng-
land, on September 11, 1815, and lived in
America thirty years ago. He leaves a
widow, three sons and three daughters.

OPERA AT THE TWO HOUSES

"LA TRAVIATA" SUNG AT THE
METROPOLITAN.Mme. Sembrich, Caruso and Anstie in
Verdi's Popular Old Opera—New
Barytone Makes a Very Favorable
Impression—Prima Donna Admirable."La Traviata" was given at the Metro-
politan Opera House last night and Mme.
Sembrich began her final season in
opera in the United States. It was an
evening fruitful in suggestion, for there
were moments when the sharp contrast
between the old manner of singing lyric
opera and the new one stung like the
lash of a whip. But the temptation to
discuss this feature of the performance
must be resisted. In the course of a brief
time the absence of the mellow, fluent,
perennially beautiful style of the older
Italian school will be felt. There will be
no need to point it out.Perhaps in that day some of us will
realize that what we call brilliancy of
voice, and which is in truth nothing but
loud and piercing tone, is not so lovely a
demonstration of the artist's worth as
that pure, ethereal quality which in the
slightest whisper of sound as well as in
the silvery peal of the full volume floats
magically through all the spaces of an
opera house, entrances the ear of every
hearer, and better than all has in itself
a power to touch the emotions.This kind of voice is not alone the gift
of nature, but the result of profound study
and a preservation of acrobatic style
which the modern declamatory style
of opera has relegated almost to com-
plete obscurity. For the present let us
content ourselves with an expression of
gratitude to Mme. Sembrich, who is still
before us as an exponent of the best man-
ner of singing. There are many who
can sing with more of what has herein
been described as brilliancy, but of beauty
how many?Pasquale Amato, a new barytone, made
his debut as Germont and won for him-
self immediate welcome as a singer of
good ability. He has a fine, fresh, son-
orous voice of good quality and an ac-
cent with excellent tone production and
taste in style. Mr. Bonci, who was to
have been the Alfredo, was indisposed,
and his place was amiably taken by Mr.
Caruso, who, needless to say, was a most
acceptable substitute. The chorus sang
well and Mr. Sperino conducted the opera
with spirit and with skill in accompan-
ing the singers.

MANHATTAN OPERA HOUSE.

Meyerbeer's "Les Huguenots" Given With
a Good Array of Men Singers.At the Manhattan Opera House last
night Meyerbeer's "Les Huguenots" was
sung with the Italian text. An audience
of considerable size was present and its
applause was both frequent and generous.
The distaff side of the cast was not
one to inspire the highest confidence. Two
of the women were old and familiar
friends, Miss Agostinelli, the
Valentina, and Miss Zepilli, the Marguerite
de Valois. It was to be hoped that the
detailed account of the doings of these
two. It is conceded that they do not form
part of the great constellation in Mr.
Hammerstein's firmament but belong to
the nebulae.The third of the women in the cast
was a newcomer, Mme. Marietta Aldrich,
who appeared as Urbain de la Motte, and
was her first appearance in opera, and
this despite the fact that Mr. Hammer-
stein does not advertise an opera school.
Mme. Marietta Aldrich, de la Motte, was
a quiet, pale, but why she wore a pair
of football trousers it would be hard to
tell. They did not become her. She
was exceedingly nervous and her voice
was abnormally high. Her husband, her
voice is of pretty quality and may be
heard to advantage later on.The men were Zanolini as Roulet,
Samuel as Urbain de la Motte, and
St. Bris and Arimondi as Marcello. It
was in this quartet of singers that the
musical strength of the evening's per-
formance was centered. The vocal treas-
ure of the vocal treasure and the audi-
ence rewarded them with that clattering
commendation which gives joy to the true
artist soul. The chorus sang excel-
lently, the ballet danced well, and Mr.
Campanelli conducted with his usual
energy.

BARNARD JUNIORS AS MEN.

They Strut About and Swear Vigorously
in "Monsieur Beaucaire."When the junior class at Barnard Col-
lege presented its show yesterday there
was no afternoon performance, as the
dean will no longer accept a play for
an excuse for a cut. But the change
meant a financial gain, as more men
can attend in the evening and did so
last night. The play was "Monsieur
Beaucaire."The production was as direct a copy
of the one Mr. Mansfield gave at the
new \$85,000 block and the borrowed
furniture could make it. Miss Lillian
Egleston, as Beaucaire, made love with
a vim and a vigorous French accent.
Miss Mary Mamook, as the beautiful
Lady Mary Carlisle, was exceedingly
lively and laughy; but when she finally
succumbed to her pink staid lover she
did it as thoroughly as she had spurned
him before.The spot light was kept so busy chang-
ing from one dashing young man in
gorgeous attire, buckles and ruffles, and
wig to the next that it missed its aim when
it had to fall on a statue of Diana. How-
ever, the incident did not fust the actors.
For they kept on strutting about and
swearing as vigorously as ever.The champion strutter was Miss Ger-
trude Hunter, who tossed off heavy oaths
and biting snarls with the agility of a
professional. She was followed by Miss
Bernard, who was called before the curtain
repeatedly and presented with flowers
they did not forget their roles, but ac-
cepted the bouquets with genuine mascu-
line awkwardness.There will be two performances to-day,
to which men will be admitted for the
nominal price of \$1. The proceeds are to
go to the junior ball committee and the
Mortboard, the college annual published
by the junior class.Among the patronesses are Mrs. A. A.
Anderson, Mrs. William T. Brewster,
Mrs. Silas Brownell, Mrs. Nicholas Murray
Butler, Mrs. Joseph H. Choate, Mrs. Ma-
lorence Colgate, Mrs. Seth Low and Mrs.
Florence D. Whitman.

President Sees Isadora Duncan Dance.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.—President
Roosevelt, accompanied by his daughter,
Miss Ethel Roosevelt, and Mrs. Wood,
wife of Major-Gen. Leonard Wood, went
to the new National Theatre at 4 o'clock
this afternoon to hear the New York Sym-
phony Orchestra and witness the classic
dances of Isadora Duncan. Gen. and Mrs.
Wood are guests at the White House.

Four Killed in Montana Mine Fire.

HELENA, Mon., Nov. 20.—Four men
were killed and forty more imprisoned
for several hours to-day by a fire in the
mine of the Montana Coal and Iron Com-
pany.More than one hundred men were re-
scued by means of ore cars. All of
them were nearly suffocated but were
revived after reaching the surface. The
fire is still burning.

WOMAN CHARGES SWINDLE.

William Rhodes, Once Prosperous, Ar-
rested—In Similar Trouble Before.William Rhodes, said to be a brother-
in-law of the late Gov. Pattison of Penn-
sylvania and at one time a prosperous
contractor in Philadelphia, was arrested
last night at the Hotel Navarre by Lieut.
McConville and Detective Nelson charged
with swindling Mrs. Ida S. Hurlbutt of
the Hotel Empire out of \$75 in a real
estate deal.Rhodes, who is about 50 years old and
has the appearance of a prosperous
business man, went to see Mrs. Hurlbutt
on October 12, according to her story to
the police, and said that he had a splendid
opportunity to buy cheap a piece of
Long Island real estate which was to be
sold at auction. Mrs. Hurlbutt said she
asked Rhodes to wait until she could talk
the matter over with her lawyer, and he
went back to see her two days later. Then
he told her, she said, that the property
was to be sold at noon that day, and
got her to let him have \$75 as a deposit.Mrs. Hurlbutt said that she heard nothing
more from Rhodes, and then reported to
the police. Lieut. McConville got no
trace of Rhodes until yesterday, when he
found him living in style at the Hotel
Navarre. Just before he was arrested
Mrs. Hurlbutt got a letter purporting to
be from Rhodes at Pittsburgh, in which he
asked her what she intended to do about
the \$75.Rhodes was arrested here eight years
ago on a similar complaint. At that time
he was accused of telling a woman that he
could buy a certain valuable tract of
land for \$10,000 and getting \$5,000 from
her as a deposit. At that time George
Gordon Battle was his counsel. When
Rhodes was arrested last night he sent
for Mr. Battle, the Governor of Penn-
sylvania declined to extradite him at that
time.The police say that Rhodes has been
living up to recently at the Hotel Regent,
but that the hotel has turned him over to
his board bill. A woman at the Hotel
Gerard is said to have complained to the
police of a real estate deal with Rhodes.

NEW PLAY AT GERMAN THEATRE.

"Die Hochzeit von Valen" Entertains
a Large Audience."Die Hochzeit von Valen," a four act
drama of to-day, with scenes laid in Ru-
mania, was presented last evening at the
German Theatre on Madison avenue
before a large audience which gave close
attention to this first performance. The
play is by Ludwig Ganghofer and Marco
Brecht. It has a very large cast, more
than two score characters finding place
on the programme. Much care had been
bestowed upon the mounting, with sat-
isfactory and agreeable results. Scenery
and costumes are new and pleasing.The play gives plenty of opportunity
for emotional acting by Hedwig Reicher
as Sanda, the daughter of a gypsy fiddler,
who is pledged in marriage to a wealthy
roue who has educated her. She tries
in vain to awaken early emotions in an
idealistic young man who has returned
to his home from a German university.
He thinks she is marrying for money
and she is disappointed. Instead of love
instead with the young woman who has
been selected for him in order to save the
fortunes of his own family.Sanda marries the square of Valen,
the reprobate Aristide (Heinrich
Marlow), and during the wedding celebra-
tion at Valen castle the hunchback
Pohndi Tecku (Emil Lind), a busy
body, hunchback, who is a drama-
tist, tells her that Notara was the cause
of his death.
Sanda would kill herself, but Notara,
already drunk, drinks the poison she had
prepared for herself, and Sanda lives for
him. He is said to be a very good actor.
To tell them all would be unfair with so
many actors developing them enter-
tainingly in pleasing stage pictures.

HENRY W. SAVAGE RETURNS.

Was Entertained by Molnar in Hungary
—Has New Hungarian Plays.Henry W. Savage returned on the Lu-
sitanian yesterday. His stay abroad was
ten days longer than he had expected
owing to his acceptance of an invitation
to visit Frank Molnar in Hungary. Mr.
Savage, who has been in the city for
author of "The Devil" and the latter's
literary and newspaper friends in Buda-
pest as one of the most pleasant experi-
ences of his life. He has been heard of
definite plans to announce but let it be
known that he will go over several Hun-
garian plays as soon as Henry E. Dixey
is launched in "Mary Jane's Pa."

GOV. HUGHES INAUGURATION.

Invitations to Attend Will Be Sent to
Applicants by the Secretary of State.ALBANY, Nov. 20.—Arrangements are
under way for Gov. Hughes's inauguration
on January 1, which this year falls on
Friday, although the Legislature does not
meet until January 6. The programme
will be the same as usual, but invitations
to attend the inaugural ceremony in the
Chamber will be sent only to those who
make application to the Secretary of State.
Heretofore thousands of invitations have
been sent broadcast through the State
and hundreds of people who came to
Albany to attend the ceremony were
excluded because of the crowd.
Squadron A and Company E of the
Seventh Regiment of New York City have
offered their services for the inaugural
parade. Under the new military code the
present four civilian members of the Gov-
ernor's staff must be succeeded by mili-
tary officers.

The Seagoers.

Sailing to-day by the White Star liner
Celtic, for Queenstown and Liverpool:
Sir Frederick W. Borden and Lady Bor-
den, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fitzsimmons,
A. C. Gillespie, John L. Griffiths, Ameri-
can Consul at Liverpool, and Mrs. Griffiths;
D. B. Hanna, A. Livingston Hart, Capt.
Frederick Jantzen, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard
Kay, Kenneth Lee, the Rev. and Mrs.
Robert Parkinson, Mr. and Mrs. Walter
M. Tausig, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Thomp-
son, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Stewart,
and Mrs. Francis Wilson.Passengers by the North German
Lloyd steamship Barbarossa, off to-day
for the Mediterranean:
Mrs. John C. Benson, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph
M. Benson, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Abbott, Mrs.
W. Beannington, Dr. James S. Gittanach,
Mrs. Clarence H. Dinckel, Gen. F. S. Ire-
land, Lieut. and Mrs. W. W. Stewart,
Dr. Emil Sienkiewicz and Mr. and Mrs.
Thomas A. Vincent.By the American liner Philadelphia,
for Plymouth, Cherbourg and South-
ampton:
Comdt de Berne, Alexander Graham,
Mrs. F. B. Biddle and Santiago Soza
Ponce.

End of the Penance Cases.

Charles W. Russell, who was appointed
special assistant to the United States
Attorney-General to conduct the penance
cases which were thrown out of court
last Wednesday, has been discharged.
The United States Circuit Court yesterday
decided that he would not bring to trial the
indictment against Francisco Sabalia, one
of the defendants. This marks the
end of the penance cases, which have cost
the Government nearly \$500,000 and which
have taken more than three years to pre-
pare for trial.

By Meredith Nicholson

Author of "The House of a Thousand Candles," "Rosalind at Red Gate,"
"The Port of Missing Men," etc.

Strikingly illustrated by James Montgomery Flagg.

THE JOLLIEST NOVEL OF THE YEAR

At All Booksellers

The Bobbs-Merrill Company, Publishers

CURE OF NERVOUS DISEASES.

How Emmanuel Leaders Treat Them
and the Drug and Liqueur Habit.The second in the series of lectures on
"The Moral Control of Nervous Disorders,"
under the auspices of the leaders of the
Emmanuel Movement, was delivered yes-
terday morning at St. George's Memorial
building by the Rev. Elwood Worcester.
The subject for the morning was "Func-
tional Disorders of the Nervous System."
Dr. Worcester gave a brief outline of the
various classes of nervous diseases and
later took up alcoholism and the most
prevalent forms of the drug habit.One form of nervousness, psycho-
themia, he said, manifested itself prin-
cipally in different kinds and degrees of fear,
most of them superstitious, like the dread
of walking under a ladder and sitting
down at dinner with twelve other persons.
One woman who had been treated at
Emmanuel Church had been for several
years unable to visit her mother, who
lived on the same block with her, because
she feared to pass two empty lots which
lay between the houses.Another patient, a man who had once
gained a disagreeable impression from
looking down a well, grew to have a fear
of wells and later transferred the fear to
tunnels, wouldn't even allow a letter to
go by a route where it would have to travel
through a tunnel, and subsequently de-
veloped a dread of going through door-
ways.Emmanuel Church has had a moderate
amount of success in slaying the mor-
phine habit, Dr. Worcester added, but
that is only treated in sanitariums and in
close conjunction with the best physicians
and nurses that can be procured. "It was
impossible," he explained, to depend upon
the word of any morphia victim, no
matter how truthful he might be in other
respects, in regard to his use of the drug.
Of the nine cases of alcoholism which
he personally treated last year Dr. Wor-
cester said that all but three are ap-
parently cured. But he wished it clearly
understood that he never professed to
have effected an absolute cure of any
habit, as experience shows that lapses
are likely to occur in the most promising
cases.

FOURTH FIRE IN VACANT HOUSE.

Incendiary Has Been Busy Since the
Spanish Boarders Quit.Somebody has made four attempts
to burn up the three story brick dwelling
at 157 West Fifth street. The build-
ing, which used to be a Spanish boarding
house, has been empty for a month, and
no motive, vengeful or otherwise, can
be assigned for the activity of an incendiary.
At 11 o'clock on the night of November
8 the neighbors saw a fire burning among
some rubbish in the cellar. The firemen
put it out, but three hours later they had
to come back again, this time for a blaze
in the rear. The police found early that
morning on the corner of Seventh avenue
a young man who was talking more or
less about fires, and they locked him up
on suspicion. He was discharged the
next morning and for a time things
stayed quiet.Thursday night, however, activity be-
gan again with a fire in the rear of the
house, and last night the performance
was repeated with a slight change of scene.
The police say that they will watch the
house this time and keep away anybody
who seems to be bent on setting a fire.

NO FUN FOR FLEET AT MANILA.

Bad Weather Delays Practice—Fil